GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4312
ANSWERED ON:24.08.2005
COLLECTION OF TOLL TAX
Mallikarjunaiah Shri S.;Patil Shri Balasaheb Vikhe

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Toll Bridges on the National Highways in the country collecting toll tax, State-wise;

(b) whether the rate of toll tax imposed on N.Hs. varies from State to State and also from toll tax bridges to bridges specially in Haryana and Rajasthan;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the rate of toll tax for single and multiple trip is different as per Multi Axle Vehicles (MAV) Act;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard and found any discrepancy;

(g) if so, the details thereof;

(h) whether some private agencies are also collecting toll tax at Bata bridge in Faridabad, Haryana and some other places in Rajasthan;

(i) if so, the details thereof; and

(j) the action proposed to be taken by the Government against them?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) State-wise numbers of bridges on National highways on which users' fee (Toll) is being collected are annexed.

(b)&(c) The rate of users' fee per km. for section of National Highways is uniform as per provisions of the National Highways (Rate of Fee) Rules, 1997. The rates of users' fee for bridges on the National Highways depend on the cost of the bridges including approach roads. The rates of users' fee on the sections of National Highways are linked to the Wholesale Price Index (WPI), which are reviewed after every five years based on variation in Wholesale Price Index.

(d) & (e) The rate of users' fee for single and multiple trips within 24 hours is determined as per Rule 7(4) of the National Highways (Fees for the use of National Highways Section and Permanent Bridge-Public Funded Project) Rules, 1997. As per this Rule, when the same vehicle has to cross the National Highways Section or bridge more than once in a day, the user have the option to pay one and half times of rate notified while crossing such section or bridge on the first trip itself, or if the vehicle has to use the section or bridge frequently the vehicle owner can have a monthly pass on payment of charges equal to 30 (thirty) single rates.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.

(h) &
(i) Bata bridge in Faridabad, Haryana is not located on National Highways. This is a State road and the responsibility for collection of users' fees on the same, is that of the State Government. Details of bridges on National Highways in Rajasthan on which the users' fee is being collected by the private agencies engaged by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and the State Public Works Department are as under:-

National Highway No.	Bridges on National Highway on which Users' fee is being collected	Agency
NH-8	Kishangarh (ROB)	NHAI through Society of Ex-servicemen
NH-11	Reengus (ROB)	PWD through contractor
NH-11A	Dausa-Manoharpur (Bhanganga)	PWD through Contractor

NH-12	Chambal bridge	PWD through Contractor
NH-12	Chandrabhaga Bridge	PWD through Contractor

(j) Does not arise.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No 4312 FOR ANSWER ON 24-08-2005 ASKED BY SHRI S. MALLIKARJUNIAH AND SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL REGARDING COLLECTION OF TOLL TAX.

State-wise number of bridges on which users' fee (Toll) is being collected:

Sl. No	Name of States /UTs	Number of Bridges where users' fee (Toll) is being collected.
1	Andhra Pradesh	4
2	Assam	2
3	Bihar	6
4	Chhatisgarh	2
5	Gujarat	5
6	Karnataka	5
7	Kerala	10
8	Madhya Pradesh	6
9	Maharashtra	12
10	Manipur	2
11	Orissa	3
12	Punjab	2
13	Rajasthan	9
14	Tamil Nadu	5
15	Uttar Pradesh	19
16	Uttaranchal	3